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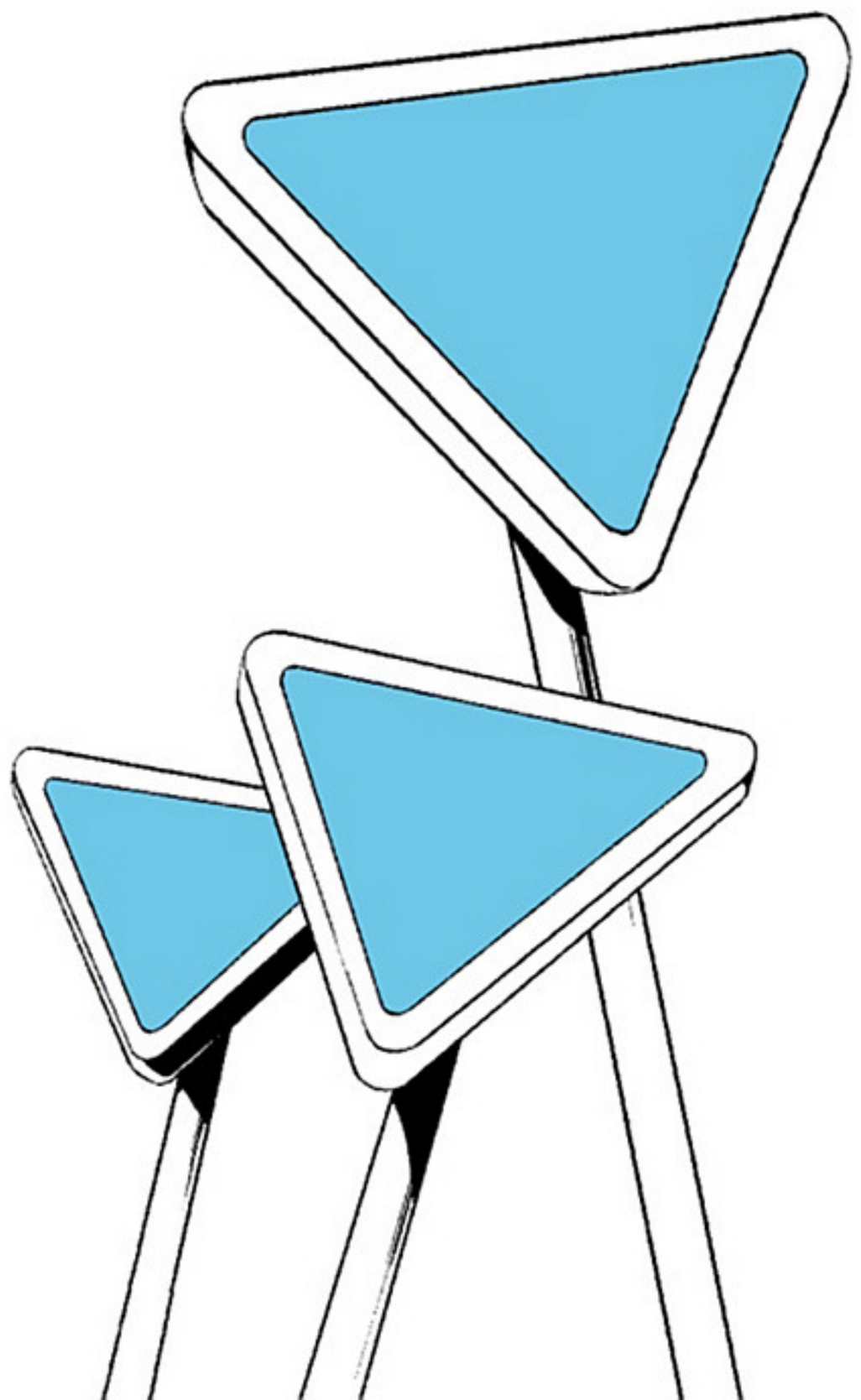

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STORY SO FAR

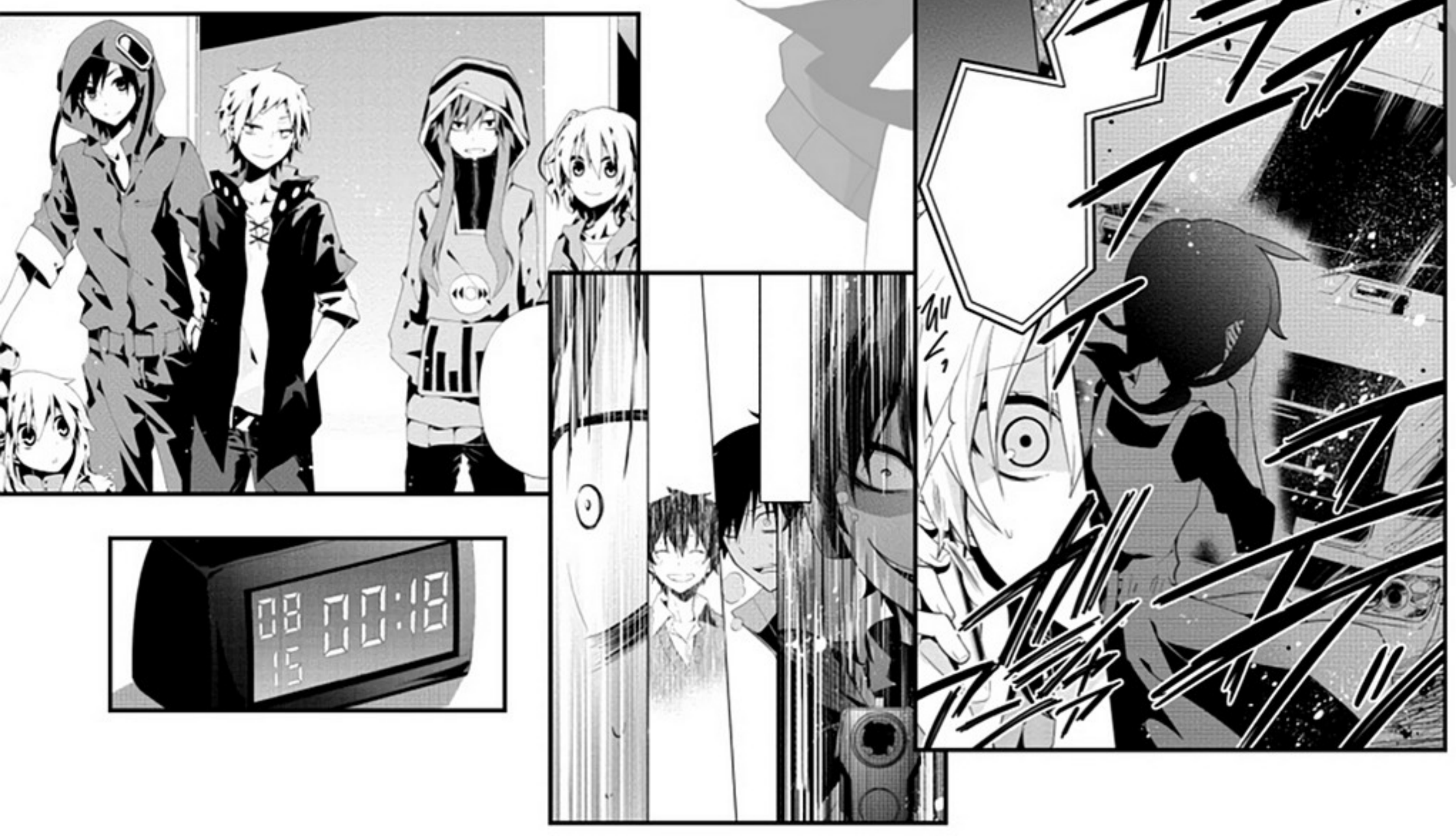
The tale of two fateful days in August——

August 14th, a bright and clear summer day. Shintaro, a boy who spends his days shut up in his room, ventures outside for the first time in two years. He is accompanied by Ene, a mysterious digital girl who's taken up residence in his computer and cell phone. They travel to a department store to purchase some replacement PC parts, only to find themselves hostages in a terrorist standoff. There, for the first time, they encounter the Mekakushi-dan, a group of young men and women who each possess a special ability related to their "eyes." Among the Mekakushi-dan, Shintaro spots Momo, his younger sister, who also happens to be a pop idol with "drawing eyes"—the ability to instantly draw people's attention to herself.

The next day, after spending the afternoon at an amusement park, the Mekakushi-dan is attacked in broad daylight, gunned down one after another by a man in black. Shintaro throws himself between Momo and the gunman, and then——

The scene reverts to the afternoon of August 14th.

Waking up from a "really bad dream" that he can't quite seem to remember, Shintaro ventures outside for the first time in two years with Momo and Ene in order to buy food for his pet rabbit. Along the way, Momo runs into Hiyori, who is a huge fan, and Hibiya, Hiyori's friend. They quickly form a friendship, but later that night Momo answers her phone only to be greeted by Hiyori's blood-curdling scream——!!



KAGEROU DAZE CHARACTERS

CHARACTER RELATIONSHIP CHART

>> KANO

Mekakushi-dan member No. 3. Possesses the "deceiving eyes" ability.

>> KIDO

Mekakushi-dan leader and member No. 1. Possesses the "concealing eyes" ability.

>> SHINTARO

Computer addict who hasn't left his house for two years. Mekakushi-dan member No. 7.

LIVES IN PC OF

>> ENE

A digital girl who latched herself onto Shintaro's computer a year ago. Once a human girl named Takane Enomoto. Mekakushi-dan member No. 6.

SIBLINGS

TRANSFORMS INTO

>> SETO

Mekakushi-dan member No. 2. A well-built, affable young man.

>> MARIE

Mekakushi-dan member No. 4. Possesses the "locking eyes" ability. Descendant of a Medusa.

>> MOMO

Shintaro's younger sister and a successful pop idol. Possesses the "drawing eyes" ability. Mekakushi-dan member No. 5.

>> TAKANE ENOMOTO

CLASSMATES

ATTACKS

>> AYANO

A girl who knew Takane and was friends with Shintaro. Possibly passed away?

>> ???

A man who resembles Konoha, an online persona created by Haruka. Unlike Konoha, he has black hair.

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>> HARUKA KOKONOSE

Takane's classmate in the special-needs class. Whereabouts unknown after the most recent episode of his illness.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS!?

And then...

...August 14th – 15th repeats...

>> HIBIYA

FRIENDS

>> HIYORI

HUGE FAN OF

>> MOMO

>> ENE

>> SHINTARO

KON
(KNOCK)

KON

HEY, SHINTARO? SORRY I'M LATE.

I KNOW I'M JUST GETTING HOME, BUT DID YOU EAT YET?

YEAH, I MADE DO.

THANKS.

REALLY? GOOD.

OH, IS MOMO IN THERE WITH YOU?

HMM?

OH. YEAH.

OH GOOD! I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE GETTING ALONG TODAY!

OKAY, I'M GOING TO BED, SO TURN OFF THE LIGHTS AND THE A/C FOR ME, ALL RIGHT?

SURE.

NIGHT.

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WHEW...

THAT, AND I HAD NO IDEA MY MASTER KNEW ABOUT IT.

I KNOW I SAMPLED MY MASTER'S VOICE...

...BUT I NEVER THOUGHT I'D USE IT FOR THIS.

MOYA

MOYA

MOYA (SEETHE)

DON'T FOLLOW ME.

YOU'LL JUST GET IN THE WAY.

BUT REALLY, WHY'S HE MAKING ME HOLD DOWN THE FORT HERE ANYWAY?

JITA (FLAIL)

BATA (FLAP)

JITA

BATA

DAAAH!

COME ON!!

I JUST HATE BEING THE OUTCAST LIKE THIS!!

FU (FWOOP)

I MEAN, HE'S THE ONE WHO CAN'T STAND GOING OUTSIDE BY HIMSELF...

BATTA

BATA

IF I SPEND THIS WHOLE CHAPTER HOLED UP IN HERE, I'M GONNA BE SERIOUSLY PISSED!!

WILL ENE-CHAN REMAIN BORED FOR-EVER!?

ZUZUI (BABAM)

BESIDES, NOW THAT HIS MOM'S DEALT WITH, I DON'T EVEN HAVE ANYTHING LEFT TO DO!

PITA (STOP)

GUESS I'LL SURF THE NET.

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Gogle

Gogle検索　I'm feeling lucky

BROWSING IT LIKE THIS STILL BEATS FLYING AROUND IT MYSELF, I'D SAY.

A LOT LESS EFFORT TOO.

OKAY!

VLIN (VWMM)

"LOCAL RESIDENTS STAGE PROTEST AGAINST URBAN DEVELOP-MENT."

...LOT OF THAT LATELY, HUH? NOT THAT IT REALLY APPLIES TO ME.

OOH! "WATCH THIS POLAR BEAR DANCE LIKE A PRO"!

AW, THAT'S SO CUTE! HE'S GOTTA BE SUFFERING IN THIS HEAT THOUGH...

...HMM?

SUU (SWIPE)

News

Updated 12:12 AM

- Local Residents Stage Protest Against Urban Development
- Watch This Polar Bear Dance Like a Pro
- Department Store Hostage Crisis Defused by Unknown Man
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POCHI (CLICK)

THAT'S THE STORE RIGHT NEARBY HERE, ISN'T IT?

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...HUH?

BLARRRF...

HURGFF...

BICHA (SPATCH)

BICHA ビチャ

HAFF...

NGH...

HIZURI...

GESSORI (HAGGARD)

WHAT DID I EVEN COME OUT HERE FOR...?

I AGREED TO GO SHOPPING WITH MY SISTER, MOMO...

...ONLY TO RUN INTO HIBIYA AND HIYORI, TWO GRADE-SCHOOL KIDS.

APPARENTLY SOMETHING BAD'S HAPPENED TO THE TWO OF THEM...

...SO WE'VE BEEN GOING AROUND TOWN IN A BLIND EFFORT TO SEARCH FOR THEM.

BUT...

I NEED SOMETHING TO DRINK... OR I'M GONNA DIE...

FURA (STAGGER)

FURA

I'LL BE FINE BY MYSELF, OKAY? JUST GO BACK HOME!!

ALL THIS RUNNING AROUND'S ACCOM-PLISHED NOTHING...

MOMO DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER WAITING FOR ME...

OOOOOOO (SHIMMER)

MM?

GOSSO
GOSO
GOSO
GOSO
GOSO
GOSO
GOSO (RUMMAGE)

DASH!

OHHH THANK GOD...

I'VE BEEN BLESSED BY THE HEAVENS...

WHO KNOWS WHAT SHE EVEN HEARD...?

GOSO
GOSO

MOMO TOLD ME SHE THINKS THAT GIRL HIYORI IS IN BIG TROUBLE...

...BUT SHE BOLTED OUTSIDE WITHOUT GETTING THE WHOLE STORY...

GOSO

WHAT DOES SHE THINK SHE CAN DO? WE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE HIYORI IS.

GOSO GOSO

BARUUU

JARA (JINGLE)

I SHOULD JUST DO WHAT SHE SAYS, GET SOME JUICE AND GO HOME...

BUT HELL, SHE'LL FIGURE OUT SOMETHING. NOT LIKE I'M REALLY NEEDED.

PATAN (SNAP)

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Coca-Cola

NO! NO, NO, NO WAY! THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING!

ALL THESE GODDAMN ONE- AND FIVE-YEN COINS!! I CAN'T USE THESE ANYWHERE EXCEPT SOME CHEAP-ASS CANDY STORE!!

DARA (SWEAT)

DARA

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DARA

NOOOOOOO...

GAKUN (SLUMP)

WHY IS GOD SO CRUEL? SETTING THE PEARLY GATES SO TEMPTINGLY BEFORE ME LIKE THIS!?

GASHII (GRIP)

UWAAA

MAN...

LIFE CAN BE STRANGE SOMETIMES, HUH?

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WHAT THE HELL, MAN!? HOW'D I WIND UP STUCK CHATTING WITH THIS CHICK!!?

WHERE DID SHE EVEN COME FROM ANYWAY!?

I WASN'T EXPECTING TO RUN INTO SOMEONE COLLAPSED IN THE STREET...

YEAH, UH, SORRY ABOUT THAT...

I PROBABLY LOOKED PRETTY PATHETIC BACK THERE...

GOD, NOOO!!!

YOU WERE AN ANGEL...

SNRT! BFF!

JUST, WHEN YOU SAID YOU—

GH, SORRY ...

DAAAAH !!!!

SHE TOTALLY WASN'T THERE A MOMENT AGO...!!

PFFT!

THAT'S ON ME. I DON'T NEED A FAVOR BACK OR ANYTHING.

NAH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

HUH?

HAFF.

HFF...

U-UM...

I PROMISE I'LL PAY YOU BACK SOMETIME, SO...

NIKO (GRIN)

UGH, I HATE PEOPLE LIKE THIS!

IF YOU RUN INTO ANYONE IN TROUBLE, LIKE YOU WERE JUST NOW...

...JUST DO FOR HIM WHAT I DID FOR YOU, ALL RIGHT?

OH... ARE YOU SURE?

THANKS A LOT...I APPRECIATE IT, BUT I NEED TO GET GOING...

HEY, GOTTA PAY IT FOR-WARD, YOU KNOW?

PA (FLASH)

HIO

MAS-TER!

WE NEED TO GO TO THE POLICE! THE POLICE!!!

VUU (VRRR)

VUU

HUH?

A PHONE CALL?

WE'RE NOT GOING ANY-WHERE!

WHO'S "THEM"!? I'M NOT ONE OF ANYBODY !!

OH, YOU'RE ONE OF THEM, HUH...?

LOOK, WHERE DID THAT OUTBURST COME FROM...?

I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU TO STAY AT HOME!

HUH? WHERE'S YOUR SISTER?

UH, SHE WENT OUT SEARCHING BY HER-SELF.

I COULDN'T REALLY TELL YOU WHERE SHE IS NOW...

NO, BUT YOU COULD AT LEAST PLAY ALONG A LITTLE!

OH, WHAT, DID YOU SERIOUSLY EXPECT ME TO FOLLOW YOUR INSTRUC-TIONS!?

I FIGURED I COULDN'T COUNT ON HER FOR LONG, BUT...

HUH?

HANG ON, YOU LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TOO?

AHH... YOU KNOW HER. SHE'LL PROBABLY BE RUNNING AROUND ALL NIGHT.

WHA ...?

I WAS ACTUALLY ASKED TO TRACK SOME KIDS DOWN TOO.

GOSO (RUMMAGE)

UM...

KASA (RUSTLE)

カサ…

HAVE YOU SEEN...

...ANYONE WHO LOOKS LIKE THIS?

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PI (FWIP)

HM?

DID THAT RING A BELL, OR...?

!!!!

HAH.

HFF.

HUH.

HAAH.

HFF.

HAAAH.

HAAAH...

TA (DASH)

SHIRT: A-UN

HIYORI-CHAN...!

WHO...?

WHO ARE YOU GUYS?

OH, HELLO.

WHAT'RE YOU IN SUCH A HURRY FOR?

SU (SHFF)

A COVERT ORGANI-ZATION.

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